

### Fiscal Estimate - 2007 Session

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<b>LRB Number</b> 07-3577/1	<b>Introduction Number</b> AB-0663	
<b>Description</b> Child abuse and neglect prevention grants		
<b>Fiscal Effect</b>		
<b>State:</b>		
<input checked="checked" type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate		
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs		
<b>Local:</b>		
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5. Types of Local Government Units Affected <input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities <input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts		
<b>Fund Sources Affected</b>		
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<b>Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations</b>		
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## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The Department distributes grants to support county and tribal home visitation programs focused on the prevention of child abuse and neglect. AB 663 institutes a number of changes to the administration of these grants: 1) alters the current formula for determining the amount of grant in excess of the minimum amount (\$10,000), 2) requires county or tribal recipients to match at least 25 percent of the grant in funds or in-kind contributions, 3) requires recipients to collect and report outcome data on the effectiveness of their home visitation programs, 4) establishes a description of the technical assistance training the Department is required to provide participating counties and tribes, and 5) requires the Department to evaluate the availability of home visitation programs and identify gaps in home visitation services. These changes should have no significant fiscal effect on the Department or counties.

The current formula for awarding funds in excess of the minimum amount is based on the number of medical assistance-funded births in a county or tribe as a proportion of medical assistance-funded births in all recipient counties and tribes. AB 663 alters this determination by basing the award on the number of births alone. As this simplifies the process for both counties and tribes and the Department, it will not require additional effort.

The requirement of a 25 percent match of the grant by recipients poses minimal burden for counties and tribes. Program administrators indicate that award recipients currently use local funds in coordination with the grants that are equal to or in excess of 25 percent of grant amounts. As a result, the required match should not necessitate increased funding by recipients.

Recipients currently provide the outcome data required to evaluate the effectiveness of county and tribal home visitation programs as a part of the grant program. As a result, the collection and reporting of this information by recipients should not require additional resources beyond those currently dedicated to the program.

The Department contracts with UW-Extension for technical assistance and training for the program. Administrators work with the vendor to identify necessary components of trainings, and the components identified in AB 663 will not require changes to the current contract.

A Departmental evaluation of the availability of home visitation should not require a significant increase in workload. The Department will build on its current efforts to collect information regarding existing home visitation programs. In addition, the Department will be able to use existing resources to identify home visitation programs not currently funded through state resources.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications